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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Redondo Beach – Man Charged with Hate Crime After Driving Car Into Group of People

(U) A 42-year-old Redondo Beach man has been charged with a hate crime after prosecutors say he drove his car into a group of Black people outside a Torrance hotel while shouting racial epithets. Dennis Wyman faces two counts of assault with a deadly weapon and one count of hit-and-run driving resulting in serious injury to another person, with the special allegation that the alleged crimes were hate crimes.

SOURCE: 14 July 2020, [The LA Times](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Texas – Authorities Encounter Commercial Vehicle Involved in Human Smuggling Attempt

(U) Laredo – For the second time this week, US Border Patrol agents apprehended a large number of individuals inside a tractor-trailer during a failed human smuggling attempt in north Laredo. The event occurred on the evening of 13 July, when a tractor hauling a white trailer approached the US Highway 83 checkpoint. During an immigration inspection of the driver and passenger, both US citizens, the driver readily admitted that there were people inside the trailer. Upon opening the trailer, agents found 35 individuals who were illegally in the US from the countries of Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador.

SOURCE: 14 July 2020, [US CBP](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Illinois – Police, ATF Seek Four Suspects in Arson Incident

(U) Chicago – A task force of Chicago Police officers and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF) agents have released surveillance images of four suspects wanted in connection with an arson incident that occurred in downtown Chicago during civil unrest and looting that took place in late May. The suspects are among many being sought by the task force, with authorities releasing information on a total of 19 suspects wanted in at least 53 different arson incidents that took place between 25 May and 2 June.

SOURCE: 14 July 2020, [NBC Chicago](#)

(U) Washington – Authorities Arrest Suspect Accused of Killing Police Officer, Injuring Second Officer

(U) Bothell – A person suspected of killing a Washington state police officer and injuring another after a traffic stop turned into a deadly foot chase Monday night was arrested "without incident," police said. The deadly encounter took place in Bothell, outside of Seattle. The suspect led police on a brief pursuit following the attempted traffic stop, the subject stopped and exited the vehicle, fled on foot and then opened fire at two officers, killing one at the scene. The motive for the violence remains unclear.

SOURCE: 14 July 2020, [FOX News](#)

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(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Mexico – Mexico’s President Turns Attention to Their Most Violent States

(U) Mexico City – President Andrés Manuel López Obrador is traveling to three of Mexico’s most violent states this week to counter what many call a “hands-off” strategy toward drug cartels that has exacerbated tensions with state governors. A surge in cartel killings in Guanajuato, Colima, and Jalisco - all states governed by opposition parties - is threatening to become a political quagmire for López Obrador ahead of 2021 midterm elections.

SOURCE: 15 July 2020, [Associated Press](#)

(U) Norway – Police Arrest Suspect After Three Women Stabbed

(U) Sarpsborg – Norwegian police arrested a man for stabbing three women, one of whom died from her injuries, late Tuesday night in Sarpsborg in southern Norway, police said. The 31-year-old man is a Norwegian previously convicted for offences involving violence, a police statement said on Wednesday. It added that police are looking into whether the man, who knows two of the victims, had mental health issues. The country’s police security service reported they ruled out terrorism as a motive.

SOURCE: 14 July 2020, [Reuters](#)

(U) Panama – Arms Trafficking Probe Leads to 19 Arrests

(U) Panama City – Nineteen people were arrested in Panama after a series of raids resulting from an investigation into arms trafficking, Panamanian authorities said on Tuesday. Jorge Miranda, director of the national police, said in a press conference that 28 raids were executed. The Public Ministry said in a statement issued after the press conference that “the trafficking and possession of weapons of different denominations is being investigated, including weapons of war, some acquired by the state and that were in the possession of civilians, including former managers of security forces.”

SOURCE: 14 July 2020, [Reuters](#)

(U) Turkey – Authorities Arrest 18 People with Suspected Links to ISIS

(U) Ankara – Police in the Turkish capital Ankara arrested 18 Iraqi nationals for suspected links to the Islamic State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS). At least 20 suspects, who were found to be in contact in the conflict regions and with ISIS operatives, were identified in an operation by provincial police’s counter-terror teams, backed by the National Intelligence Organization. Police continued the hunt for two suspects who escaped.

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